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For: ABSORBING MATERIAL AND  
ABSORPTIVE ARTICLE USING THE SAME

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2008, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.